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## COMMERCIAL FIRE 1868 S. Third Street

**MEMPHIS, TN** - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 1868 S. Third Street, Thursday, October 7, 2021 at 1:17 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported fire visible from the one-story commercial restaurant. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Fourteen (14) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-one (31) emergency response personnel responded to the call. Division Chief P. Dix was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 1:42 a.m. One firefighter was transported in stable condition to Regional One Health with a head injury. There were no civilian injuries.



The commercial building sustained smoke,

fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$25,000.00 structure and \$50,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be a fryer that malfunctioned in the kitchen.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: <a href="https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/">https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/</a>. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.